

Admission Requirements

If you plan to attend, you should have a strong desire to learn throughout the extensive daily schedule that has been designed. Also, you must be willing to work as a team member in helping to complete the environmental management plan. To be admitted to this program, you must be entering your junior or senior year in high school and have a genuine interest in any of the aspects of natural resource management. Also, you must have a C or higher grade average and cannot be a previous attendee.

A Word to Teachers and Guidance Counselors

While high school students have the curiosity to become scientists, many never have the opportunity to develop those interests. You may know students who would qualify for this program and would have a sincere interest in participating. Please pass this information along to them. It could make all the difference in their future.

How to Apply

Complete the attached application and submit a letter of recommendation from your high school guidance counselor or principal along with a non-refundable check or money order for \$50 to:

Kentucky Forest Leadership Program
Douglas McLaren
Department of Forestry
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky 40546-0073

DEADLINE: May 16, 2008

Cancellation

The University of Kentucky may cancel or postpone this program due to insufficient enrollment or other unforeseen circumstances. If the program is canceled or postponed, the Kentucky Forestry Council will refund all fees but cannot be responsible for unrelated costs assumed by the student.

The total fee for the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program is \$225 (including the \$50 non-refundable application fee). This amount covers all programming costs and room and board. You may be eligible for a scholarship. For more information concerning scholarships, contact Mark Davis of the Kentucky Division of Conservation at (502) 573-3080.

Enrollment is limited to 25 students. Up to two applications per county will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. During the first week of May 2008 we will begin to notify by mail those who have been accepted. If you are admitted to the program, you will be sent maps and lists of materials necessary for the program.

You are responsible for your own transportation to and from the Kentucky Leadership Center.

First Day Activities

On-site registration and rooming assignments begin at 10 a.m. on June 2, 2008. Lunch will be served at noon. Please be prompt, as a full schedule of events begins at 1 p.m.

For More Information Contact:
Douglas McLaren, Extension Forester

Phone: (859) 257-2703
Fax: (859) 323-1031
E-mail: dmclaren@uky.edu

Or go to the Cooperative Extension Service, Department of Forestry web site:

<http://www.ca.uky.edu/forestryextension/KentuckyForestLP.php>



Following are statements from past participants, parents, and advisors about the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program:

“The things you will learn, see, and feel, the people you will meet—the whole program—will change your life and the way you feel about the forest.”

“Everyone who participated was there for a purpose, and that’s what made it special. Every person who attended the program was somehow affected by this experience. I can say for myself that it has made me think about my future in college in the years to come. I will never forget the people, the activities, and all the fun I had while I was there.”

“It was evident that our son had a very interactive experience. The program was truly a ‘good fit’ for our son.”

“Two of the four students whom I advised to attend the Forest Leadership Program are now presently enrolled in a forestry program.”

Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Application

Kentucky Forest Leadership Program
Kentucky Leadership Center, Jabez, Kentucky

This form may be duplicated for additional applicants. Please print or type and return to the address below by May 16, 2008.

I would like to attend the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program at the Kentucky Leadership Center in Jabez, Kentucky, June 2-6, 2008.

I understand that this is not a recreational summer camp and that I will be expected to fully participate as a team member in the daily activities.

Last Name

First Name

Home address (street and/or box number)

City State Zip

County

E-mail address

Area Code/Daytime Phone

Age: Sex: Male Female

Parent/Guardian Signature

Make checks payable to:
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The Kentucky Forest Council's

Kentucky Forest Leadership Program



For students entering their
junior or senior year of high school

June 2-6, 2008

University of Kentucky
Kentucky Leadership Center
Jabez, KY (near Somerset)

Through the cooperation of:



Kentucky Division of Conservation - Kentucky Division of Forestry

“Learning *how* to think rather than *what* to think”

If you are a high school student entering your junior or senior year, consider being a part of the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program. For more than 50 years students have attended this week-long event dedicated to exploring the many facets of forestry and related fields. If you're interested in hands-on learning about forestry and natural resource management while developing your leadership skills, this is the program for you. It will be the one week of your summer break you won't forget.

Learning by Doing

This program's hands-on approach to learning is sure to get you excited about forestry. By truly “getting your hands dirty,” you'll get to know the depths, surprises, and excitement of one of Kentucky's most plentiful natural resources—forests.

The week-long experience concentrates on forest management and related subjects. Throughout the week, you'll see for yourself a variety of different careers in related fields beyond forestry, including civil engineering, soil science, wildlife habitat assessment, water quality, and wood products.

The Kentucky Forest Leadership Program gives you the chance to learn *how* to think, not *what* to think. You will develop life-long learning skills based on observation, action, and evaluation and learn to think creatively, make decisions, and set goals. You will build creative communication skills you'll use for solving problems related to natural resource issues.

As you use your hands and mind in the forestry and related natural resource investigations, you will be guided by professionals in those fields. The activities are designed to increase your awareness and appreciation of our natural resources. Most important, you will come away with an understanding of how society and natural resources interact.

How You Will Spend the Week*

You can expect to be busy during the leadership program. The full schedule of activities for the week includes activities relating to

- Forest measurements
- Entomology
- Fire management
- Identification of plants through the development of a keying process
- Surveying
- Soil science
- Wildlife habitat assessment
- Water quality evaluation
- Wood products

One way you will develop your leadership skills is by working cooperatively with one another to resolve an environmental issue. Your major project for the week is a group presentation of an environmental management plan for a designated forested area. You will use the skills you learn during the course for your presentation.

The Training Team

You will be trained by professional forestry and natural resource managers from the University of Kentucky's Department of Forestry, Kentucky Division of Conservation, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife, and private forest industry leaders. These professionals will serve as your instructors and advisors and will meet with you to develop and discuss your environmental resource projects as they take shape throughout the week.

The Facilities

The leadership program takes place in a forest setting at UK's Kentucky Leadership Center located on Lake Cumberland in Jabez, approximately 20 miles west of Somerset. You will be housed in hotel-type rooms designed for four individuals, each room with its own bathroom.

**Note: This is not a recreational summer camp.*